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MODE CONTROL CIRCUIT FOR PLL CIRCUIT

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

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Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: